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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 15, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN ABNEY CULBERSON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God of heaven and earth, we bless You and praise You for our brothers and sisters in the Middle East, especially the Israeli and Palestinian people. Grant them peace.

When frightened by situations which seem impossible, we who share the faith of our father Abraham often turn to the psalmist to find voice.

The psalmist seems desperate yet single-minded as he prays:

"It is You, my king, my God who granted victories to Jacob.

Through You we beat down our foes; In your name we trampled our aggressors.

For it is not in my bow that I trusted nor was I saved by my sword; It was You who saved us from our foes; It was You who put our foes to shame. All day long our boast was in God and we praised Your name without ceasing."

In the end the psalmist seems to pray with an urgency that comes from a people who after a long time are accustomed to oppression and suffering:

"Awake, O Lord. Why do You sleep? Arise. Do not reject us forever.

Why do You hide Your face from us and forget our oppression and misery? For we are brought down low to the dust; our body lies prostrate on the earth.

Stand up and come to our help. Redeem us because of Your love." Amen. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Speaker pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. tomorrow for morning hour debates.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6163. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Acetamiprid; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-301225; FRL-6829-3] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received March 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6164. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting notification of the intention to modify the November 9, 2001 release of funds from the Emergency Response Fund; (H. Doc. No. 107-199); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6165. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of the intention to reallocate funds previously transferred from the Emergency Response Fund; (H. Doc. No. 107-200); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6166. A letter from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Benefits payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits—received March 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6167. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Cold, Cough, Allergy, Bronchodilator, and Antiasthmatic Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Partial Final Rule for Combination Drug Products Containing a Bronchodilator [Docket No. 76N-052G] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received March 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6168. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Foreign Establishment Registration and Listing [Docket No. 98N-1215] (RIN: 0910-AB21) received March 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6169. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Pesticide Active Ingredient Production; Good Cause Final Rule [FRL-7162-7] (RIN: 2060-AJ34) received March 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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